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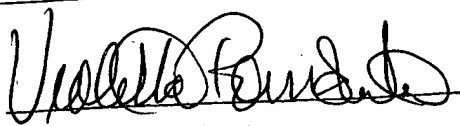
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SIMULTANEOUSLY DISPLAYING A  
TELEVISION PROGRAM AND  
INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROGRAM**

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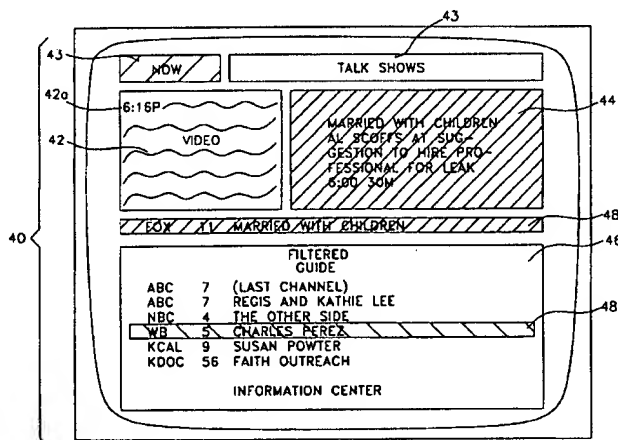
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A television viewer uses a PIP format for display of program  
related information such as television program listings from  
a program schedule data base in the background and  
moving, real time or stored video clip images of a program  
selected from the displayed listings in the PIP window. All  
the text of the background information lies outside the PIP  
window. In one embodiment, as the viewer selects a par-  
ticular program from the display of current television pro-  
gram listings by means of a cursor or a code number, the  
corresponding program automatically appears in the PIP  
window.

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